

November 07, 2012

RECEIVED

2012 NOV 15 AM 11:35

Friends of Congressman Steve Stockman
P.O. Box 57135
Webster, TX 77598

FEC MAIL CENTER

Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

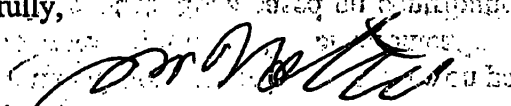
RE: FEC LETTER DATED 10/24/2012
JULY QUARTERLY REPORT AND PRE-PRIMARY 48 HOUR REPORTING
FEC ID# C00518241

Dear Ms. Hannan,

Thank you for the letter dated 10/24/2012 concerning Pre-Primary 48-hour reporting and what looks like not reporting all "last minute" contributions received by our committee on the 48-hour reports. The in-appearance variance is due in part to moving from paper filing to electronic reporting; the 48-hour reporting was done on paper before we acquired the FECFile software and before we were required to file electronically. This switch was exacerbated by recording in the software the contributions based on contribution checks' dates (dates checks were written) and not when received by our committee.

We reported the "last minute" contributions when received. For contributions above \$1000 if received between specified dates (May 10th and May 27th in this case), we filed 48-hour paper forms as required. There was no software and no dates entered into the FECFile software. The items you are referring to were received after May 27th (after the 48-hour reporting period deadline), hence could not be reported on 48-hour reporting and were reported as required on next report (July Quarterly). When we started using software, inadvertently those four items were entered in the software using check dates (dates checks were written) rather than the "received" dates. This caused the July Quarterly report to show contributions falling within 48-hour report time period and not included on 48-hour reporting.

The July Quarterly report will be amended to fix those dates of contributions to dates based on received dates to alleviate any inconsistencies in reporting dates and deadlines. Thanks again for bringing this issue to our attention so we can improve our procedures and training of our staff and volunteers.

Respectfully,

Jon Noltie
Treasurer